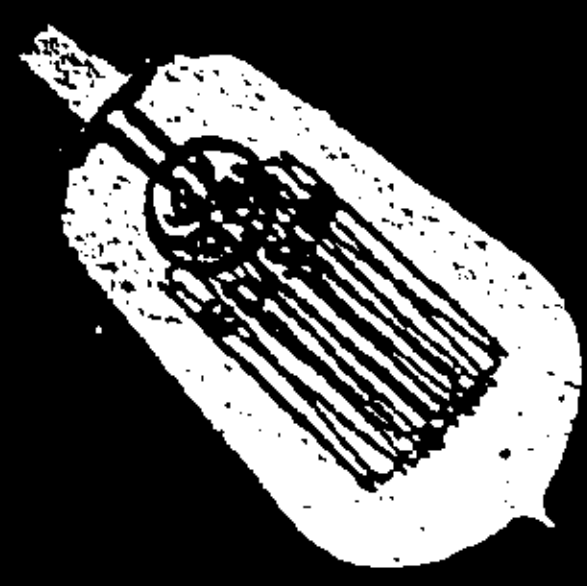


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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### M. CLEMENCEAU'S VISIT.

#### SOME IMPORTANT DISCUSSIONS.

London, December 11.  
M. Clemenceau arrived at Victoria and was met by Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Curzon, Mr. Walter Long, and the French Ambassador. He was accorded a great ovation. The Channel crossing was most rough, the French destroyer Temeraire being continuously swept over with heavy seas. This necessitated a landing at Dover instead of at Folkestone.

At mid-day, M. Clemenceau had a conversation with Mr. Lloyd George at Downing Street. It is understood that the discussions will include French exchange, which is now forty-five francs to the sovereign; coal supplies for France; the League of Nations, the Peace Treaty, the situation in the United States, and also Russia, Turkey and the Adriatic.

## EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

### (From Our Own Correspondents.)

#### STATEMENTS REFUTED BY BRITISH BANKERS.

Shanghai, December 15.  
The British bankers here refute the statements of the London papers of an arrangement between the U. S. Treasury and the American exchange banks. The British bankers state such arrangement is the best thing that could happen at this time. An adequate supply of silver would be assured at a fair price. The announcement here has relieved British as well as American bankers and exporters.

#### FIRE AT SHANGHAI COTTON MILL.

Shanghai, December 15.  
There was an early morning fire at the Pao Fong cotton mill. The loss is half a million taels. The mill was destroyed. The fire started when friction followed on the belt pulley having been left uncoiled. The loss of life is unknown: 800 employees were working and it is believed many perished.

#### BOYCOTT OF JAPANESE GOODS.

Shanghai, December 15.  
The Students Union are published a list of firms boycotting Japanese goods. Malco merchants are registering the quantities of Japanese goods on hand.

#### SINGAPORE FOOD PROBLEM.

Singapore, December 15.  
Those responsible for raising the scare in the Colony that starvation would result from the rice shortage are relieved to hear that sixty thousand bags of rice have arrived in Singapore during the last few days and in addition a heavy shipment of Australian flour.

## TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

### THE SHANTUNG QUESTION.

Shanghai, December 15.  
Yung Kwai, the Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Washington, has wired that the Shantung question has taken a favourable turn in the Senate, and he advises the Government to be careful in handling this matter and not to be duped by tempting words.

### THE FOCHOW INCIDENT.

Shanghai, December 15.  
The Educational and Commercial bodies in Fochow have wired to the Fukien community in Shanghai stating that the Japanese Commissioner has arrived to investigate the incident. They state that as the matter is very important it must be settled in Peking, instead of locally.

### WHEN CHINA WILL SIGN THE TREATY.

Peking, December 15.  
Dr. Wellington Koo has been instructed by the Government that when the British and French Governments have announced their support of the reservations on the Peace Treaty in regard to the Shantung question, he can sign the Treaty.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### THE SOUTH RUSSIAN FRONT.

London, Dec. 11.  
A semi-official message from the South Russian front says the Bolshevik attacks have been renewed with great vigour. Against the Caucasus Army the attacks definitely failed while the Bolshevik gains on the Don sector are counter balanced by their losses. A big Bolshevik attack against Tsaritsyn delivered on Dec. 1 failed disastrously and General Wrangel's cavalry made a counter offensive, cutting the enemy's rear communications and compelling them to retire in disorder. Subsequently the enemy was driven back beyond Dubovka, thus abandoning all their gains of November. In the Don sector the Cossacks recaptured Butirjivka and swept the enemy from the railway back to the town of Kalach, making large captures. Further West the Bolsheviks reached Pavlovsk. On the volunteer front the retirement is generally continued except around Biryuch. The Reds occupied Bielgorod, reached within fifty miles of Kharkov, and are now threatening Kiev where the situation is somewhat

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### LESSON OF ROSS SMITH FLIGHT.

London, Dec. 11.  
The "Daily News" expert opines that the flight from England to Australia should be accomplished in ten days with relays of pilots and machines en route. He says the lesson of Ross Smith's success is obvious, namely, the necessity for an immediate effort to make the Imperial Airways a commercial proposition. There is no reason why a network of airways should not be constructed on the surface of all continents and the supremacy of the air definitely secured for Britain. The next Imperial airway for pioneers to conquer is from London to Cairo and Capetown.

The air route from Egypt to the East which the Government is proposing to develop largely lies over countries lacking roads, railways, and sea communication, whose commercial development will be best accelerated by aircraft and though Ross Smith has not appreciably reduced the time in journeying to Australia he has brought nearer the day when, by the establishment of a chain of permanent stations, aerial post between England and Australia will be an accomplished fact and backward regions en route will be developed by British air enterprise. Hence the present flight is tributed not as a sporting event but as definitely opening a new era in navigation which will draw the peoples of the world closer, particularly through the widely-dispersed territories of the British Empire.

The success of the flight to Australia is featured in the papers, editorials and special articles paying a tribute to Capt. Ross Smith's triumph. The value of his pioneer work in speeding up communication between Britain and the distant Dominions is emphasised. The Atlantic flight was a sensational feat, but the Australian flight is an enduring performance, immensely stimulating private enterprise and forecasting regular commercial air travelling. The Australian Government is praised for its enterprise in starting a competition which promises to place Britain at the forefront of the world in aviation. It is pointed out that the chief value of the flight is not so much the fact that Australia was reached as the fact that four continents were bridged and practically every overland stage can be made a paying commercial proposition, especially the long line of commercial centres near the Indian Ocean.

London, Dec. 12.  
The Sydney correspondent of the "Times" says that Ross Smith's actual flying time was 124 hours and the average speed, seventy-five miles. He was sighted at Australia, forty miles away. The longest time in the air was for 24 hours, between Karachi and Delhi, when he was obliged to avoid the great desert as the fine dust would injure his engines. The worst weather was encountered at Malaya where, owing to heat and the stagnation of the air he worked night, tinkering with his machine. The hospitality of Netherlands Indies Officials was overwhelming. The airman were emphatic that they did not wish to repeat the feat, owing to the variations of heat and cold straining the machine, but were convinced that a commercial air route was feasible with relays of machines.

### AIR SERVICE ACCIDENT.

London, Dec. 12.  
An Airco aeroplane from Paris to London crashed in a field near Caterham in a dense mist. A passenger was killed and the pilot badly injured and sent to hospital. This is the first accident involving personal injuries since the London-Paris service was inaugurated in August, though machines have flown 50,000 miles.

### MR. ASQUITH AND COALITION.

London, Dec. 12.  
Mr. Asquith speaking at Manchester, replying to Mr. Lloyd George on Dec. 6, asserted that the allied cause had never been more vigorously conducted than in 1916. At the end of that year the aggressive power of the enemy had been decisively broken and the foundation laid of a certain speedy victory. He disagreed with the Premier that it was impossible to govern without Coalition. He was convinced that the Liberal Party were perfectly capable of governing the country.

### THE LONDON CONFERENCE.

London, Dec. 11.  
The Italian Foreign Minister, M. Scialoja, confers with Lloyd George and Clemenceau at London. There will be no meeting of the Supreme Council at Paris during Clemenceau's absence. It is stated in Paris that the whole question of the Peace Conference and the Council, owing to the departure of the American Delegation, will be one of the chief subjects of discussion at London.

### "THE TIGER" IN LONDON.

Paris, Dec. 11.  
M. Clemenceau has started for London.

London, Dec. 11.  
Reuter learns from a French source that Clemenceau and Lloyd George are discussing the situation arising from the application of the Peace Treaty and Germany's attitude. They find themselves in complete accord and have also arrived at satisfactory results as regards other Anglo-French questions. Anglo-Franco-Italian matters will be discussed to-morrow whereat the Italian Foreign Minister, Scialoja will attend.

### DEVELOPMENT OF EMPIRE.

London, Dec. 12.  
Lord Milner has appointed an Advisory Committee of which he will be chairman with the object of promoting the economic development of the Colonies and Protectorates. The members include Viscount Harcourt, Sir Owen Phillips, Sir William Meyer, Sir John Eaglesome, and Sir Herbert Read and also Messrs. Neville Chamberlain, Geoffrey Dawson and G. E. A. Grindle.

### D'ANNUNZIO'S ULTIMATUM.

London, Dec. 11.  
D'Annunzio has informed General Badoglio that if Italy guarantees not to renounce Fiume and not to evacuate the territories occupied since the Armistice he is ready to co-operate to secure a return to normal conditions.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2 and 3)

## THE LOSS OF THE "LIENSHING".

### NO EUROPEANS SAVED.

#### DEATH ROLL NEARLY FOUR HUNDRED.

Latest information to hand with regard to the wrecking of the s.s. Lienshing confirms previous fears that there was a heavy loss of life, and what is more painful still, that none of the Europeans on board were saved. Some days ago, Mr. W. J. Stokes, the local Secretary of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, cabled to Saigon to ascertain whether any Europeans were saved, and this morning he received a definite reply in the negative. The cable stated:—

"Lienshing. Sorry no Europeans saved. Chinese thirty-seven."

This indicates that the death toll totalled 379, as when the boat left Hongkong on the trip to Saigon which she never completed there were 416 souls aboard, these including 390 coolies. She left here on November 27 last, and the news that she had been wrecked on the Indo China coast was received exactly one week ago.

The total number of Europeans on board was seven, made up of the master (Capt. W. Cullen); the Chief Engineer (Mr. J. R. Chapman); the Second Engineer (Mr. H. Barber); the chief Officer (Mr. C. S. Leys); the Second Officer (name unknown); and another engineer, Mr. Alexander McMillan, who was travelling as a passenger. All were well-known on the China Coast and the utmost sympathy will be felt for their relatives.

A lengthy telegram was received by the owners here this morning from their agents at Saigon, which gave the following facts:—

On November 30, at 2.30 in the morning, the Lien Shing struck against the Ongco Reef, Annam Island, during a storm and was quickly sunk. There were 37 survivors, all being members of the crew. Here followed the names of 31 of the men saved, the telegram going on to state these men had safely arrived at Saigon. With regard to the other six, whose names were also given, it was stated that they had sailed for Tonkin, by the s.s. Verdur.

## WAR TROPHIES.

### HONGKONG NOT FORGOTTEN.

Some months ago, we urged that efforts should be made to secure some war trophies for public exhibition in Hongkong, as a lasting memento of the Great War. Subsequently, the matter was raised in the Legislative Council and it was stated that the War Office were being approached on the subject. A few days ago, our Singapore correspondent reported details of the trophies allotted to the Malay States, these comprising two light guns, twenty machine-guns, fifty helmets, eight packs, one signal thrower, sixteen trench mortars and eight wire-cutters captured from the Germans.

On enquiry this morning, we learn that a despatch has just been received from Home stating that Hongkong is to have an allocation of such war trophies and indicating the material allotted to the Colony. We understand that details will soon be made public.

## DAY BY DAY.

For carrying away from its fittings a portlight of the s.s. Kaifong a Chinese was to-day sentenced to four weeks' hard labour.

Last week's health return shows five fatal cases of cerebrospinal fever, four occurrences of enteric (one fatal) and two cases of diphtheria (one fatal). All were Chinese save one British case of diphtheria and two British and one Japanese cases of enteric.

There are some splendid prizes given for the Tombola on Saturday. Amongst other things are:—1 case of port wine; 1 case condensed milk; 1 gold wrist watch; 1 silver wrist watch; 1 silver bowl; silver sweet dishes; silver vases; 1 amethyst and pearl brooch; electric irons; 2 rattan chairs cunningly decorated with "cross pointing" and "Turks' heads" by Captain Jones of the "Chuen Chow"; framed pictures; china vases and ornaments etc.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 5s/9½d.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast:—fine. Barometer:—30.02. Temperature 2 p.m.:—62. Humidity 2 p.m.:—51.

## THE "PHRANANG."

### STILL AGROUND YESTERDAY.

The s.s. Phranang was still on the Adamastor Rock, north of Dumb Bell Island when the s.s. Sui Tai passed there yesterday afternoon. She was very high out of the water and two-thirds of her propeller could be seen. Some junks were alongside and three tugboats were standing by. It is believed that all the salt which she had on board for Macao has been discharged. She appeared ready to be towed back to Hongkong to-day.

Inland Lot No. 2230, Conduit Road, was yesterday sold by auction at the P.W.D. Offices. Mr. M. K. Lo was the purchaser at the upset price of \$3,250. The lot has an area of about 8,126 square feet.

## DON'T FORGET.

### TO-DAY.

City Hall—Hongkong Sketch Club's Exhibition.  
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

### TO-MORROW.

Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
City Hall—Police Victory Ball—9.15 p.m.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19.

Pansy Day.—Street sale of pansies in the morning; Masked Ball at Volunteer Headquarters at 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20.

Cabaret at Volunteer Headquarters for War Devastated France Fund.—3 p.m. to midnight.





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best commissariat officer since  
Moses."

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that record was far surpassed by  
devices organised, in the very  
desert where Moses himself was  
enabled to draw food from the  
heavens and water from "the  
dry rock in a thirsty land."

In 1915 the Government found  
great difficulty in securing the  
supply of water pipes necessary  
to the conduct of the war in Egypt,  
when it was decided that an  
advance must be made across the  
Sinal Desert, and they called  
upon the services of the firm of  
iron and steel manufacturers  
known to the trade as "R. D. and  
C. Ltd."

The quantity involved was 180  
miles in 3 to 8 inch pipe, with all  
necessary fittings. This neces-  
sitated two complete shiploads of  
material.

Within five days of the request  
practically every pipe of this size  
existing in Great Britain, U.S.A.,  
and Canada had been secured by  
this company. Even this was  
insufficient, and the shortage was  
actually made up by the firm  
securing upwards of 2,000 tons of  
German tubes.

Complications were introduced  
into the job by reason of the varia-  
tion, not only of thread, but of  
diameter, some pipes being  
measured in to out, some inter-  
nally and others externally.

All of these had to be adapted  
to fit in with fittings which were  
entirely to British dimensions and  
threads.

The position became so involved  
that ultimately a member of the  
firm went out himself with the  
pipes. On arrival, he was re-  
quested by the Commander-in-  
Chief to undertake the actual  
laying of the system in the  
desert.

The work of stevedoring the  
steamers, securing or manufactur-  
ing supplies of tools, transporting  
pipes into the desert, creation of  
workshops, &c., made the job one  
of intense interest. When it has  
to be considered that in this, the  
first section of the advance into  
Palestine, 90 per cent. of the pipes,  
weighing 300-500 lbs. each, had  
to be carried on men's shoulders  
for mile after mile into the desert,  
it may be realised the work in-  
volved.

Notwithstanding, the job was  
hustled through, and the first  
water was pumped to the front  
lines within three weeks of the  
arrival of the pipes.

## MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

BOYS AND GIRLS TO  
BENEFIT.

Mr. Francis Fletcher, of Seven  
Gables, Sutton Coldfield, War-  
wickshire, director of Wyler's  
Limited, manufacturing chem-  
ists, who died in May last  
and left estate to the value of  
£39,080, made a provision in his  
will for scholarships for boys and  
girls desirous of entering the  
medical profession.

Each scholarship is of the value  
of £100, and is tenable for five  
years, and is to be called the  
"Frank Fletcher Scholarship for  
Boys" and the "Catherine  
Fletcher Scholarship for Girls."  
The scholarships are to enable  
the holders to pay the University  
fees, including hospital and  
examination fees, and to procure  
books and apparatus requisite for  
a University course.

The scholars are to be boys and  
girls whose parents belong to the  
industrial classes and are earn-  
ing a daily or weekly wage not  
exceeding 50s. a week. They  
are to be selected from those at-  
tending public elementary  
schools, or boys from grammar  
schools and girls from municipal  
high schools, who have won their  
way from the lower-grade schools,  
but they must be sons and  
daughters of bona-fide working  
men and women.

Testator proceeds:-  
"The above provisions are  
framed with a view of affording  
to the children of bona-fide wage  
earners opportunities of a career  
in the medical profession as in  
my opinion there are potentialities  
of the born doctor being found  
amongst such children, in which  
case it would be in the interest of  
medical and surgical science also  
to the benefit of humanity, believ-  
ing as I do that the service of  
man is the highest worship of  
God."

Mr. Fletcher directed that his  
body should be cremated and the  
ashes disposed of as the executors  
shall think fit, and that there  
should be no ceremony, religious  
or otherwise, least of all a "funer-  
al," in connection therewith.

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REPORTED DISCOVERY OF  
FLAWLESS GEM.

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time directed to South African  
mining shares was recalled by  
an incident recently. The  
Premier (Transvaal) Diamond  
Mining Company declared a final  
dividend of 86 600 per cent. making  
850 per cent. for the year. The  
effect of the announcement was  
greatly accentuated by the report  
that a huge diamond of the first  
order had been discovered.

This is stated to be a blue-  
white brilliant weighing some  
1,500 carats, and as it is without  
a flaw, its value is put roughly at  
£100,000. Whether this dis-  
covery accounts partly for the  
increased dividend it is difficult  
to say at the moment, but in all  
probability the Board would not  
anticipate the realisation of such  
a stone.

It may be remembered that in  
1905 the Cullinan diamond was  
found on the same property. It  
weighed 3,032 carats, but owing  
to flaws it had to be cut up into  
more than one brilliant, and the  
largest of these is now included  
amongst the Crown jewels of the  
Empire. If the new discovery is  
really without flaw it may con-  
stitute a larger brilliant than the  
largest left from the cutting of  
the Cullinan diamond.

The other incident of special  
interest is the announcement that  
the well-known firm of Brothers,  
of Austin Friars, has been  
registered as a private limited  
company with a nominal capital  
of £5,000,000. Mr. S. B. Joel and  
Mr. J. B. Joel will carry on the  
business as heretofore as life  
governing directors. Barnato  
Brothers were prominent in the  
Kafir boom, and the two Messrs.  
Joel, as is well known, are the  
nephews of the original Barnato  
Brothers.

## PROLONGING HUMAN LIFE.

A CURE FOR INDUSTRIAL  
UNREST.

The lengthening of the span of  
human life has been put forward  
as a remedy for social unrest and  
a means for increasing production  
by Dr. William Mayo, President  
of the American College of Sur-  
geons, in an address to the  
Clinical Congress at New York,  
recently.

Since the close of the Civil  
War, said Dr. Mayo, 15 years  
have been added to the length of  
human life, and in the next 20  
years it is certain that another 10  
will be added. When he was a  
boy it was difficult for a man of  
40 to find a new job, and for a  
man of 50 it was impos-  
sible. To-day the older men were  
great assets to the country. Their  
skill and experience counted for  
much. They were less in-  
flammable, and had family ties  
and responsibilities, so that they  
were less under the influence of  
violent agitators. He said:-

Another great factor in the  
progress of the world has been  
the supply of drinking water to  
cities and nations. The introduc-  
tion of potable water has made  
prohibition possible. Prohibition  
will enormously increase produc-  
tion. The failure of France and  
Italy to supply potable water  
necessitates the continuance of  
wine drinking, just as in Germany  
beer drinking will continue.  
Alcoholic drinks loosen the con-  
trol which civilization has im-  
posed over the primitive impulses  
of man.

But the arch foe of middle life  
and beyond, he added, was cancer,  
and measures both for prevention  
and cure had not advanced in pro-  
portion to the need. One woman  
in nine, and one man in 13, died  
of cancer. Good dentistry had  
eliminated the percentage of can-  
cers of the jaw caused by irritation  
from defective teeth, but cancer of  
the lip and tongue was on the in-  
crease as the habit of smoking  
increased among both sexes.

Among the delegates attending  
the Congress are Sir Anthony  
Bowlby and Major-General Sir  
Robert Jones. Dr. Mayo introduced  
Sir A. Bowlby as a cultivated  
surgeon with a justly earned re-  
putation and the man chosen  
above all others to show the Am-  
erican forces abroad what to do  
and how to do it. Sir R. Jones he  
described as the greatest surgeon  
in the field of bones, joints, mus-  
cles, and tendons the world has  
ever known.

Sir A. Bowlby delivered an  
address on the wartime treatment  
of fractures of the femur, describ-  
ing how the mortality from such  
injuries, which before the war  
reached 50 per cent, by the end of  
hostilities had been reduced to  
less than half that proportion.

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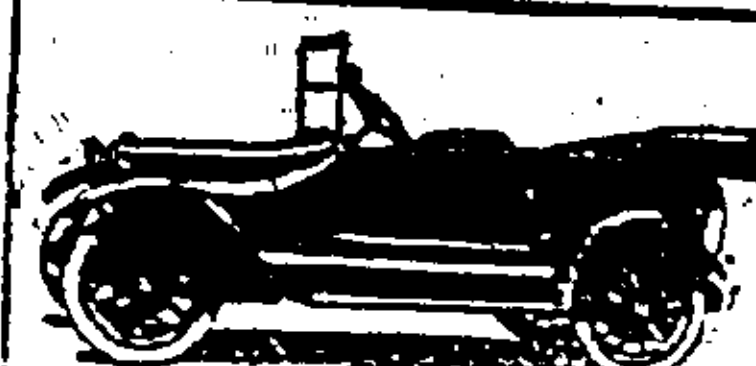
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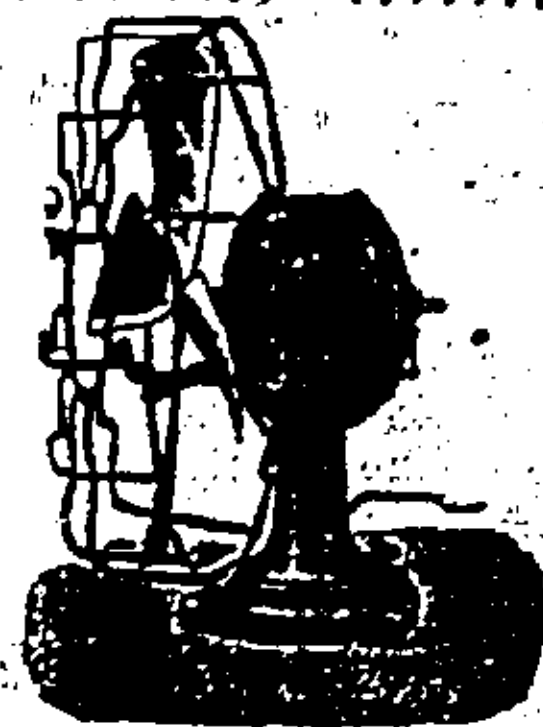
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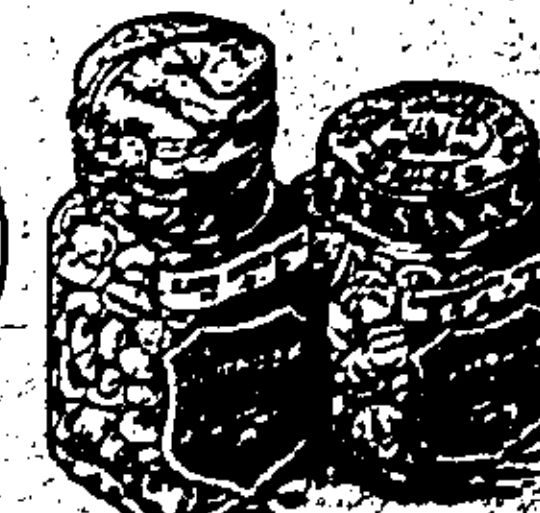
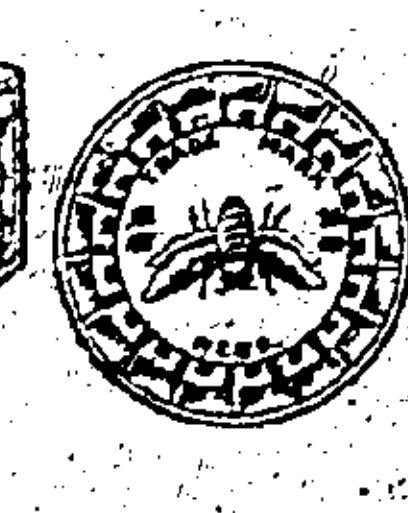
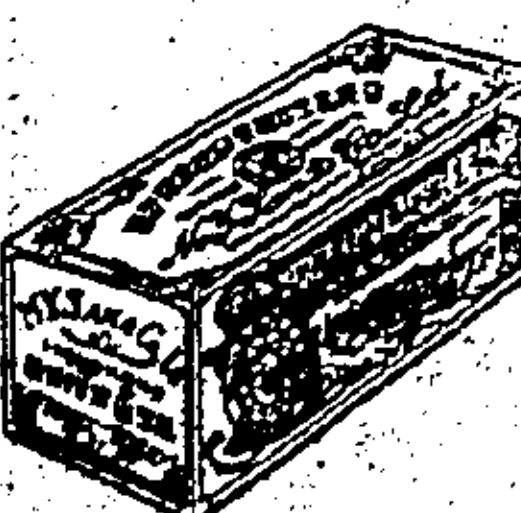
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Co., Ltd.**EARLIER TELEGRAMS.****AIR MINISTRY.**

London, Dec. 12. A statement issued in reference to the estimates of the Air Ministry shows a reduction of £12,500,000. The revised figures are £54,000,000 against the March forecast of £66,500,000. Amongst the causes of reduction is the reduction of the Air Force to a peace footing. The maximum establishment this year, exclusive of India, 150,000, would be reduced by March to 35,000. An accompanying memorandum emphasises that a large proportion of the 1919-1920 estimates were due to charges arising from the war for which no provision would be required normally.

**THE COAL PROFITS BILL.**

London, Dec. 11. In the House of Commons the Coal Profits Bill, restricting the coal owners' profits to 1s. 2d. per ton was dropped. Influential Coalition groups opposed the Bill but the abandonment was due to Labour opposition. The Miners' Federation to-day condemned the proposal.

Messrs. Adamson, Bruce, and Hartshorn, Labour Party said they favoured the limitation of profits but the Coal Profits Bill under which limitation expired on March 31st would mean chaos in the mining industry and the creation of a revolutionary atmosphere. The Bill did not fulfil the pledge of the Sankey Report. The miners felt the Government had yielded to pressure from the coalowners to abolish the control and return of private ownership.

**GOVERNMENT RAIDS IN IRELAND.**

London, Dec. 11. Police and troops simultaneously raided the houses of prominent Sinn Féiners in Dublin and elsewhere in Ireland. Numerous detentions have been made including the M.P. Tom Kelly who was sent in an armed vessel to England. Dublin Mansion House was surrounded and searched by police and military later, owing to a suspected meeting by one of the suppressed organisations. The search was fruitless.

**HOUSING AT HOME.**

London, Dec. 11. The House of Commons spent an all-night sitting on the committee stage of the Housing Bill. Amendments were adopted whereunder private builders may participate in subsidies. A Labour attempt to limit rent of subsidised houses to £30 yearly was defeated.

**AMERICA AND THE PEACE TREATY.**

London, Dec. 12. Senator Lodge precipitated the first discussion on the Peace Treaty in the Senate in the present session by declaring it dead unless again submitted by Pres. Wilson. Its demise was due to the Democrats. Senator Root supported this view. Senator Underwood, on the contrary, argued that it could be called up any time by a vote of the Senate. He charged the Republicans with the responsibility for the recent failure to ratify.

**U.S. NOTES TO MEXICO.**

Washington, Dec. 11. Three notes protesting against interference in the operations of American oil properties in Mexico and the lack of protection thereof by the Mexican authorities have been sent to Mexico within the last few months. Mexico has not replied.

**U.S. GENEROSITY.**

London, Dec. 12. The "Daily Chronicle's" New York correspondent says the United States Government has agreed to permit the Allies to defer for three years the payment of interest on the £2,000,000,000 loan to them during the war.

**FUEL ADMINISTRATOR RESIGNS.**

Washington, Dec. 12. Mr. Garfield, Fuel Administrator, who was prominent in the recent coal strike negotiations, has resigned owing to disagreeing with the principle of the settlement.

**LORD GREY.**

Washington, Dec. 11. Lord Grey is returning to England. His return to the United States is doubtful.

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA BILL.**

London, Dec. 12. The House of Lords have passed the second reading of the Government of India Bill.

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soever," say the Acton teachers  
in petitions to the local Education  
Committee against the continued  
presence in their midst of Mr. C.  
H. Pett, assistant teacher at  
Acton Wells School, who has a con-  
scientious objector. A Special In-  
quiry Committee was called to re-  
consider Mr. Pett's case, and it  
was moved that his resignation  
be accepted. The Socialist mem-  
bers, however, by a majority of  
one, succeeded in adjourning the  
case for a fortnight. In the  
meantime the Education Com-  
mittee will meet, and there will  
be a great storm.

**BLIND HEROES TAKE UP  
MASSAGE.**

The fact that a man was severely  
wounded in battle did not  
necessarily make him a hero, said  
Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter, at the  
dinner of the Association of  
Certificated Blind Masseurs at  
the Holborn Restaurant. A man's  
heroism was proved afterwards  
by the manner in which he set  
himself to surmount the terrible  
handicap imposed on him. In the  
best sense, all these men were  
heroes. Of the company 25 were  
blind soldier masseurs who had  
been trained at St. Dunstons and  
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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1919.

### THE SHIPPING OUTLOOK.

It was always recognised that, once the war was concluded, it would take very many months before shipping conditions were restored to their normal aspect. So it is to-day that, although well over a year has passed since the fighting ceased, shipping services are still in a state of topsy-turvydom and freight rates are at standards which were undreamed of in pre-war days. When we stop to consider the inroads which were made on shipping by reason of the activities of enemy submarines, the necessity for placing private-owned vessels in the service of the State and the heavy drain made on the big lines for boats in which to repatriate demobilised troops, we can begin to appreciate some of the factors which have been operating to prevent a speedy return to normal conditions. Trade has been seriously hampered by reason of the confused state of shipping, whilst it is common knowledge that passages are almost impossible to obtain except when booked many months ahead.

There is one gratifying fact, however, and that is that matters are bound to improve as time goes on. By degrees, things are getting better, and unless unusual and unexpected developments occur, the time should soon come when old conditions will once more operate. Indeed, we can hope for improved services, both in the number and size of vessels and also in speed. The speech just made by Lord Inchcape at the P. and O. meeting is indicative of the altering circumstances. He spoke of the early recommissioning of large mail steamers and led us to hope that before long the mail services to the Far East would be restored to their old regularity. During the war and since, we have sadly missed the familiar P. and O. mail-boats, having to be content with a reduced service maintained almost entirely by vessels of the intermediate class. That could not be helped. It is now good to know that before long we may see the mail-boats back again and thus be able to count on more regular mails. Business circles especially will appreciate the change, whilst for those on the look-out for passages, whether from or to the East, the announcement will be received with equal satisfaction. Another development of the utmost importance is the decision of the P. and O. Company to transfer gradually from coal to oil fuel. There has been a tremendous expansion in the use of oil for maritime propulsion purposes during recent years, and with the supplies now available and the great improvements in machinery, we are doubtless at the beginning of a new era in this regard. The P. and O. Company, like other big lines, is evidently determined to keep abreast of the times.

Far Eastern residents who are contemplating leave, as well as those who have friends and relatives anxious to come East, will have been deeply interested in Lord Inchcape's statement that he hopes within a few weeks to be able to meet public requirements with regard to passages. Reports from Home of late have indicated that thousands of people wishing to leave the country have been unable to secure bookings, whilst we all know of the existence here of lengthy "waiting lists" in the shipping offices. Many local residents, indeed, have been content to pay their passages without even getting a berth definitely booked, in the hope that "something will come along." It will obviously take some time before all can be accommodated, but it is reassuring just now to read remarks like those made by Lord Inchcape, for they show that matters are steadily improving. The time will come, we suppose, when we shall have forgotten that these shipping difficulties ever existed. In the meantime, we can only hope for the best, realising that the shipping companies are doing their level best to ameliorate the situation.

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

#### HONGKONG'S CRIMINALS.

One always felt that there was just a slight element of risk in living in Hongkong. There is risk everywhere as far as that goes, but the nature of the native criminal classes generally made things a little more so. These last few weeks have certainly been well filled with the doings of Chinese criminals, who seem to be getting more reckless than ever. Yesterday's Gaol sensation, with the lamented murder of a European warder, brought things home very near to residents. In addition there was news of armed robbers at Yau-mat, another case of violence in the same neighbourhood, the murder of an old priest a few days ago, the motor bandits of very recent memory, and one could go on to mention other late instances in which firearms have been drawn with criminal intent. Without being in any sense alarmists, we can say, without giving away any secrets, that there is quite a deal of anxiety felt by the authorities in connection with this increased crime—crime generally of a daring and reckless character involving the loss of human life. People are inclined to ask if the present policy of letting all who come into the Colony is wise, thinking that a closer examination might be made into the character of the hundreds who weekly come and go willy-nilly. It is one thing to ask a question and another to answer it, but for our own part we should always be inclined to protest against anything in the nature of an inquisition being held on people before they are allowed to land. If there were a system of passports, things might be different; but such a system is almost impossible of achieving. Canton and West River ports neither ask for nor receive passports from Chinese passing to and from Hongkong and we could do nothing without that. The only way of checking such serious crime seems to be by even sterner handling of the criminals. They like gaol, for it spells good food and clothing. Imprisonment is hardly a deterrent. A little fuller use of the birch would do good. It might strike some as being a callous and cruel thing to say, but when one is dealing with callous and cruel people a little of their own medicine goes down with benefit.

#### THE SHIPPING DISPUTE.

Most residents will agree that it is a pity that the week-end did not see a better development as regards the shipping dispute. The latest news that we had on Saturday was that the Guild's offer of arbitration had been practically ignored by the Shipowners' Protection Association—at least the reply of their solicitors made no reference to it. From this it was fairly obvious that the men, having definitely committed themselves to a course of policy, could do no other than continue making arrangements for a strike which is due to begin in two days' time. They have very rightly stated that once that strike is started it will be too late to offer arbitration. Such an offer on their part has been turned down and nothing but the granting of the scale asked for will satisfy. It seems to us that the owners had everything to gain by accepting the offer of arbitration, and it is undoubtedly a pity that they were not advised to take it. To state that the present position of the freight market makes an increase of wages just now impossible, without being prepared to have the facts investigated, is not very convincing. If the market is so bad, then the investigation that arbitration would give ought to be welcomed as proving their contention. Unless anything not at present expected turns up, the men concerned will cease work in two days' time and the Colony will soon feel the effects of it. For our own part we are convinced that residents generally heartily sympathise with the men, and wish them luck.

#### NAVAL YARD WAGES.

The question asked in the House of Commons regarding the salaries of the employees of the Royal Naval Dockyard has given the people concerned out here the information that the matter is being further considered, and in this there is cause for hope that the present dissatisfaction will soon be removed by the granting of better terms. Government employees generally don't seem to be over well-treated out here. The Civil Servants are waiting for permanent adjustments, the Police are rightly agitating for more pay—at least the new men are—and the Naval Yard staff is dissatisfied. It would seem that the official idea of remuneration in all departments of administration is an extremely niggardly one, and why it should be hard to determine. Economy in public spending must be achieved, one knows, but it should not be done at the expense of the men employed on public work. If there was a little more real economy and a little less personal niggardiness, we should have a very much happier and contented body of Government employees.

### DAY BY DAY.

WHEN IT FALLS TO YOUR LOT TO GIVE ORDERS, GIVE NO ORDER YOU WOULD NOT BE PERFECTLY PREPARED TO OBEY YOURSELF.

Juleff Stokes, R.N., arrived by the Dongola yesterday.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald's sermon of Sunday morning will appear to-morrow.

The Colonial Dispensary has issued a pretty calendar for the coming year, bearing a coloured picture of playful kittens who have rather upset a chess problem.

The traditional Christmas Carols which were announced to be sung in St. John's Cathedral on Friday next will be sung at Evensong on Sunday, December 28th, instead of on Friday.

The Pacific, a Danish cable vessel, whose master is Capt. Christiansen, and whose agents are Great Northern Telegraph Company, left yesterday for Shanghai on the task of laying cables for the Telegraph Company.

We learn from Reuter that in England no papers will be published on Christmas or Boxing Days, and that in view of the present cable delays a curtailment of the cable service will now take place. Only really essential news will be sent.

A Chinese watchman employed at the Taikoo Docks states that he was yesterday robbed of a sum of \$20 at the filter-beds. Two men came up behind him, one of whom threw a quantity of pepper into his eyes. They made their escape after having stolen from him the money.

About 105 tael of opium dross were discovered yesterday on the person of a hawker recently arrived from Singapore. At the Police Court to-day, when he was charged by Sergeant Fallon, the man was fined \$750 and given the option of three months' imprisonment.

The Hongkong Tramway Company's receipts for the week ended December 13, totalled \$12,783, which is a decrease of \$219 over the same week last year. For the 50 weeks of the year, the takings total \$724,550, which represents an increase of \$34,795 over the same weeks in 1918.

In the blissful state brought on by an overdose of alcohol, a certain European visitor to the Colony, by the name of Bowkies, got into a ricksha, and in his seat he snoozed peacefully. When he woke up he received a shock at finding himself in the Wanchai Police Station. The wily coolie, who found him to be an unwellcome fare, had taken advantage of his condition to bring him to the station. The man paid bail of \$5 to the Police Inspector and his non-appearance at the Court this morning when his case was called, caused this to be re-arrested by the order of the Magistrate.

A Chinese will be brought before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs by Inspector Macdonald with a view to seeking help for a passage to the North. He was an interpreter employed for two years with the Chinese Labour Corps and had recently arrived in the Colony. The savings that he had managed to gather together in France were spent on pleasures here and he was in a destitute condition when he was arrested by a watchman in Water Street yesterday for being in possession of a number of panes of glass which were suspected to be dishonestly come by. He was charged at the Police Court this morning, and pleaded that he bought the glass from a coolie with the object of making a few cents on it which would help him to obtain a passage. The Magistrate (Mr. J.R. Wood) gave his opinion that the prisoner did not come by the glass honestly, but in view of what Inspector Macdonald had stated, he would be brought before the S.C.A. after he had signed a bond of \$50.

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### AN ISLANDER'S DIARY.

(BY "AJAX.")

The prophet of ill-omen is always with us. From time to time he gets an attack of the nerves and rushes into print to frighten timid people. There are so many cries of "Wolf!" without justification that the world becomes weary of the game, and when the summons comes in real earnest it concludes that it is another of the same old canards, and is, consequently, unprepared to afford speedy assistance when it is required. This game of ringing the public fire alarm whenever a jumpy individual fancies he can smell something burning is about played out. So the latest method of foretelling world catastrophes is to study the moon and the planets. It is an entrancing idea. In the past, those learned men who inhabit Observatories had a very arduous time of it and were obliged to wear out their patience feeling the pulse of the atmosphere with a barometer. Now all that will be changed. The pseudo-astronomer squats in the most uncomfortable attitude he can assume watching the sun and moon. The name of the Professor who is reported to have made known this coming catastrophe is said to be Nowack. Should it not be Nowok? Taking it all in all, there is nothing to be gained by prophesying. The probabilities are dead against making a success of the job. Wait until the thing happens and then run around informing your friends "I told you so," if that sort of exercise affords you any gratification. The better course is not to say anything. Keep mum and look wise. Everyone on the globe, and especially in this pathetically humorous little world of Hongkong, where there are more cliques than would suffice a Home county, is judged chiefly by exterior.

If you take my advice you will keep off exchange forecasts. You may know exactly as much as the next man—which is extremely probable, as he knows nothing—but remember that there are elements connected with the fluctuation in the prices of which you cannot possibly know. People who are far beyond your ken are pulling the strings which make the dollar dance up and down and you are only wasting your time making abstruse calculations of the ratio of silver to that of gold. Any man who has a nodding acquaintance with mathematics is aware that at Monte Carlo and other places where you are persuaded to "Make your game" it is humanly impossible to beat the Bank. Do you think you can beat the Bank here?

There are a number of social events in the offing, namely the the Police Ball St. George's Ball, and the Masked Ball, in aid of the Fund for the Devastated Regions of France. It is rumoured that the dressmakers are working overtime and the shoe-shop men losing sleep over abstruse problems such as four into three will go (with a shoe horn) in anticipation. We are bursting forth into dances just at present. What we want more than anything at the moment is some good fairy who will charm us into a nice sound trance for two months and then wake us up refreshed and invigorated.

Sermons are often the shuttle-cocks of the humorists. Their virtue as soporifics is only equalled by morphia itself. When, however, we leave the latitudes which wits inhabit and converse with our next-door neighbour on the virtues and value of sermons, if he is a sensible man he will tell us that much depends on the preacher, and there he is right. Last week I had occasion to call attention to the finances of the new St. Paul's College Hostel. The indefatigable Principal, the Rev. A. D. Stewart, has built a very fine Hostel for eighty boarders in place of the old College Garden house which suffered much damage by the earthquake. Mr. Stewart had reason to expect some large donations from several friends but, owing to the financial stringency at present ruling in Hongkong, he could not raise that sum. I am not concerned with that, but what has created a very poor impression in the minds of many who have been appealed to for aid is the fact that the Bishop of Victoria, and the Church Body, should allow Mr. Stewart to give his full work for a small pittance, and this after he had put all

### THE "DONGOLA."

HERE WITH TROOPS AND COOLIES.

Proceeding to Tsingtau by the P. and O. steamer Dongola which arrived yesterday at 5 p.m. from Marseilles are 32 British troops, 876 members of the Chinese Labour Corps, now being demobilised, 34 Burmese troops belonging to 170th and 190th Burma Rifles.

The Chinese include 34 cooks and dressers and 842 invalids. The officers travelling by the vessel to Tsingtau are Major N. E. Home, Captain McGregor and Captain E. Duncan.

During the voyage there were 13 deaths and three suicides. Strong north-east gales were encountered by the Dongola on her way to Hongkong.

The Dongola left Marseilles on November 10th.

### THE MOTOR FATALITY.

The funeral of the late Mr. D. H. Morrison, whose tragic death we reported yesterday, takes place this evening at 5.30.

The general belief now is that the deceased was run over by a motor car. As a result of enquiries we have ascertained that the deceased was on transfer from the s.s. Hupeh to the Kwei-chow, but did not join his new ship, for what reasons we are unable to say. He had engaged a room at the Sailors' Home, which fact indicates that he had intentions of making a somewhat prolonged stay ashore. He was a native of Stormaw, Ross-shire (Scotland), and leaves a widow who is in Australia.

his own and his brother's and sister's money into the St. Paul's College. Has the Church Body forgotten to act up to the saying "The labourer is worthy of his hire"?

The murder of a European and an Indian warder and the escape of four convicts from our gaol has set tongues wagging. We have had many escapes from the prison, and few seem to have been caught. The consensus of opinion is that the time has arrived when our prisons should be removed to a more distant spot, preferably the New Territories. The Government recognises the need for such a change of environment, and, therefore, there should be no delay in executing the new scheme. The Victoria Gaol is reported to be congested; why not put some of the convicts on road-making jobs? The idea is not novel. Some of our roads were made by convicts. In Manila, convicts may often be seen engaged in building roads, bridges, etc. It is also suggested that two or three sentries be posted in future on the high walls of the gaol so as to prevent any escapes. The suggestion is not puerile, and in worthy of consideration. In Manila and other places, sentries are housed in small "post houses" on the roof for a similar purpose.

So the threat of the officers and engineers of certain coastal boats to go on strike if the Guild's demands are not conceded by the shipowners is likely to come off to-morrow, unless the Guilds and the Shipowners Association come to terms this afternoon. I know that some of the men are not in favour of a strike. I think the statement of the S. P. A. is very sound. The Association has very rightly argued that owing to freights being at present very low the shipowners cannot entertain the men's demands. The suggestion that the Association can put up freights in order to satiate the thirst for higher pay is not very logical. Freight rates are regulated by supply and demand, and the Guilds should know this as much as any outsider. I do not wish to take sides, but it strikes me that the men have been very ill advised. The psychological moment to have pressed their grievances for redress was during the war when they could have forced the shipowners into a tight corner. If the men are wise enough they will leave the matter to the owners, provided the latter can give some assurance that when the freight market improves, they will give a reasonable increase. It seems to me that this is the most sensible plan. After all, we must not forget that many of the officers and engineers of these coastal boats are "rejects"—men who have been sacked from big companies for various reasons.

### FUNERAL OF WARDER SPEED.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

The funeral took place yesterday evening of Warder J.L. Speed, whose brutal murder we recorded yesterday. The coffin left the Victoria Gaol in a hearse, and at the Monument it was put on to a gun carriage. The procession from Victoria Gaol was as follows: A few warders of Victoria Gaol, the hearse, members of the Police Force and European warders, Indian warders, the coffin of the Indian warder, carried on a gun carriage and draped with the Union Jack with a profusion of wreaths, Indian warders and Police watchmen.

Just before getting to the Monument a halt was made, and the coffin of the Indian warder was taken into the Kala Adhim, the Sikh temple, for interment. At the Monument the procession was joined by the band of the Wiltshire Regiment, a firing party from the Hongkong Defence Corps, of which the deceased was a member, leading the procession. The body was carried to its last resting place by six of the deceased's colleagues. The burial service was performed by the Rev. Father Augustine, assisted by Father Bianchi. After this a volley was fired and the "Last Post" was sounded.

Father Augustine expressed regret at the loss of another protector of the public. As the custodians of the peace, of prisoners, and members of the Army and Navy were not looked upon with great favour, but they all knew that these men were absolutely essential for the safety of the community. The deceased had fulfilled his duty to his King and country and had given his life, and had gone to the reward which God promised to all who fulfilled their duty.

Among the gathering at the graveside were noticed Messrs. J. R. Wood, J. W. Franks, P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Chief Warder, Passmore, Captain Stewart, Major Wakeman, Lt. Higby and others.

There was a profusion of wreaths sent including floral tributes from the following: Members of the R.N.V.P. Sanitary Board, Department, European Warders of the Victoria Gaol, Clerical Staff, Prison Dept., Indian Gaol Warders, Central Police Station, Shaikwan European Police, Mohammedan Gaol Warders, Detective Sergeants No. 2 Police Station, Sergeants of No. 5 Police Station, Astor House Hotel, Officers' Mess, Victoria Gaol, Wife and Child, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P., Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Principal Warder and Mrs. Passmore, Dr. Woodman, Chief Inspector Kerr, Inspector Earnar, Inspector and Mrs. Garrod, Inspector and Mrs. Kent, Inspector and Mrs. Brazil, Inspector and Mrs. Davitt, Chief Detective Inspector, Murison, Sergeants Clarke and Reid, Warders Hoesen, Johnson, Hill, Gast, Warder and Mrs. J. C. West, Warder and Mrs. Jas. McLeod, Mr. J. O. B. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Didsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Millington, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Field, Mr. D. Urquhart, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. James, Mr. and Mrs. C. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson, Mr. F. Forster, Mr. D. F. Lenfesty and Mr. P. W. A. Wilkie.

### HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Chess Club was held on Friday, the 12th December, at 5.15 p.m. at the City Hall.

The accounts were passed and the following Committee were elected:—

President.—Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.  
Hon. Treasurer.—Mr. A. F. B. Silva Netto.  
Hon. Secretary.—Mr. D. E. de Carvalho.  
Committee.—Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Dr. J. H. Sanders, Mr. R. Christenson.

The matches arranged for the season are:—  
Championship of the Club (Two Prizes).—One dollar entrance fee.  
Match for A. Class Players not entering in the Championship (Two Prizes).—50 cents entrance fee.  
Match for B. Class Players (Two Prizes).—50 cents entrance fee.  
Team Match 12 aside.—Portugal v. the World.

The days fixed for play will be on Tuesday of each week, at the City Hall Library.



## HONGKONG SKETCH CLUB.

## SOME NOTES ON THE PICTURES.

To-day at the City Hall has been held the second public exhibition under the auspices of the Hongkong Sketch Club, and it is an exhibition that is worthy of detailed notice. The Sketch Club has been in existence for a good many years now, but it was not until last year that it had a public exhibition and that a fuller interest was aroused in it. There is wonderful scope in and around Hongkong for those who are artistically inclined, and it is only in the proper order of things that such a Club should exist to encourage and foster contemporary art.

It says something for the popular support the Club receives when nearly 150 exhibits can be hung. As soon as one entered the hall this morning, one was conscious of a better display than was seen last year. There were not quite so many individual exhibits, but there was an instant impression of superior work. And it was shown off to better advantage for there was a decided improvement in the hanging.

It is not intended that her should follow a detailed criticism of the exhibits, for criticism—that is candid criticism—would in some cases have to be almost cruel. All that will be attempted is a short review of the main features of the show. One has to remember that this exhibition by local amateurs, and to expect a large display of high class work would be absurd. That is not to say that there are no executions of high merit; in fact there are a surprisingly large number of them. Passing round the room in the order intended, one first sees Mr. C. S. Gubbay's two large oil-portraits. That portraying Mr. R. A. Gubbay, the well-known bullion broker, is extremely realistic and life-like, whilst that of the lady, entitled "Contemplation," is not so striking for its features as for the delicate colouring of the whole. Both are good works, and Mr. Gubbay's third exhibit, that of a view of the harbour from his verandah, has a well coloured and clear foreground, but Kowloon and the Hills beyond are not very convincingly executed.

Miss Parker has eleven water colours (Nos. 4 to 14) and one has very frankly to say that there is a great deal of variance in their merit. The picture showing H. M. S. Kent waiting to be dismantled and appropriately entitled "Sic transit gloria" is a study in blues and some good shades have been secured. There is far too much brilliant and heavy colouring in No. 5, showing a Street in Wanchai, and a similar remark could be made of some other of Miss Parker's work. She has secured some particularly good sky and water effects, those in No. 12 (The Peak from Morrison Hill) being almost striking.

Miss Gurner has hung twelve exhibits, most of them being small water colours. There is a want of finish in most of them, but one was impressed with No. 19, showing Cheung Chow Island from the Peak, whilst Nos. 22 and 23, showing trees in a London Park during winter, are really good. A fine background colour has been obtained, and there is a cold clearness about the atmosphere. Two charcoal studies are good, the expression obtained in that of the Chinese woman (No. 25) being extremely natural and typical.

Mrs. Britton has three water colours hung, and we like them as well as any water work in the exhibition. They are all outdoor subjects, such as a mill stream, some willows and a broken dam, but they are wonderfully natural in colour, and reveal a close attention to detail. One wanted to study them for a long time. Mrs. Britton also had a fan design on vellum. It was a light and airy design, and looked cool in itself.

Mrs. Basil Tylour had a large number of exhibits—no fewer than 27. Quite a number were of French scenes, executed in pencil or crayon and sometimes colour-washed. There were some that we liked immensely, No. 37 (Notre Dame de Grace, Honfleur), a study in green, being quite charming. The water colours generally were of good conception, but there seemed to be an absence of finish, "Going Home," a poster designed for the Devastated France Fund, was striking, the expression of lost interest on the faces of the woman and girl being well expressed. Mrs. Tylour's contribution to the exhibition was of decided interest and merit. Her blotter designs were extremely good, especially that

## GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

His Excellency yesterday evening entertained to dinner the Chairman and Members of the Indian Gaol Commission. There were present—Sir Alexander Cardew K.C.S.I., Sir James du Boulay, K.C.I.E., Lieut.-Col. Sir Walter Buchanan, K.C.I.E., Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Lieut. Col. J. Jackson, C.I.E., Dr. G. P. Jordan, the Dorai Rajah of Pudukota, Khan Bahadur Khalifa Syed Hamid Hussain, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Mr. N. G. Mitchell Innes, Mr. J. W. Steadman.

showing some Hongkong butterflies.

Not for competition, Mr. Au Shui Yung had on view some fine porcelain plates and also two original illustrations for Scott's "Talisman." They were very clever executions. Four panels on silk were also shown.

Mr. W. Farmer (of Canton) had twelve water colours, Nos. 58 to 67, and they made a fine display. They dealt mostly with Chinese subjects, and the whole of his work is marked by clearness and decision. He obtains a well defined effect, strong but not overdone contrasts of colour, bringing in a liberal and very effective use of white. No 58, showing the Sha-ki Bridge at Canton, was a study of detail. One was also impressed with Nos. 65 (Moonlight on the Han River), 66 (Near Kowloon-chow) and 67 (Pavilion on the Lake). Mr. Farmer has obtained some fine water effects, in fact the whole of his pictures include a water scene, in the painting of which he is undoubtedly at his best.

Mrs. Kilgour had four small water colours, representing distant views of local scenes. The colouring in them all was very much of a sameness, but there was a nice soft tone about them. The views of Kowloon from the Hongkong side gave one a good impression of perspective.

Mrs. Hurley had hung four oils, the best of which was perhaps No. 77 (A Corner in Surrey). The trees were impressively represented. In No. 74 (Lamma Channel), this being a distant view of islands, the contrast between the sea and the islands seemed to be over-emphasised. Perhaps it was that the colour was not natural.

Mrs. Loring had two oils in which there had been hardly any attention given to anything beyond a general effect. The picture of High West was perhaps the better of the two.

The eighteen oil exhibits of Lieut.-Colonel Loring were easily the best oils in the show. It was a collection of very finely executed sea-scapes and one had perforce to take a long look at them. Practically every one of them is worthy of detailed notice. His representation of junks was very fine, and one could actually see the scudding boats with their billowed sails. No. 80 (Rough sea off Cornwall) breathed the spirit of turbulent water, for one felt in the presence of the roaring breakers. No. 84, showing a three-masted sailing vessel at rest in Plymouth harbour, was masterly in its execution. A misty atmosphere formed the background and away in the distance could be seen small boats idly trying to make way in little wind. No. 106 (A Sea Nymph) was also among the best in the collection. The waters breaking over the rocks were well depicted. Altogether it can be said without any invidiousness that Colonel Loring's contribution to the exhibition was of the highest merit.

Mrs. McPherson had fifteen exhibits hung, both oils and water colours. Her two allegorical studies Nos. 115 ("In the Night In Solitude—Tears") and 117 (Out of the Valley of the Shadow) were perhaps the best. The former—a woman with bowed head and folded hands, with a background of almost lifeless trees—contained a fine effect of loneliness and was done in colours that enhanced the subject. No. 117, showing a woman looking out on a dawn from the dark sides of a precipice, was also a talented picture, the light catching the lonely figure and throwing it into a sad prominence. Mrs. McPherson's views of Hongkong by night (Nos. 112 and 110) were not quite of such a high tone. To show Hongkong by night, with an attempt to pick out the lights, is a difficult task and Mrs. McPherson did extremely well to get the effect she did. No. 119, an unfinished portrait, was of high execution. One could say a lot more of Mrs. McPherson's work.

## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Order by Major G. H. Wakeman, V.D., Acting Administrative Commandant, state—

## PARADE.

There will be parade of the whole Corps (including men previously excused attendance at parades, and the Cadet Company) on Wednesday, 17th instant, for inspection by His Excellency the Governor.

Fall in at 5.00 p.m. in the road on the North Side of the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground.

Dress.—Drill order (i.e. cap, tunic, trousers, putties, belt, sidearms and rifle.)

The Mounted Section will wear breeches instead of trousers. "D" Company will not carry rifles or sidearms. Officers will not wear swords.

N. C. Os and men (except "D" Company) who have returned their rifles and sidearms to Headquarters can draw them between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., and after 3.30 p.m. on 27th instant and can return them to Headquarters at the conclusion of the parade.

## NOTICE.

The Corps Championship will be shot for at the King's Park Range on Sunday, the 21st December, commencing at 9.30 a.m. Conditions 200, 500 and 600 yards, Bisley Targets, open sights, 7 rounds and sighting shot at each range. Regulation slings allowed. Entries to be made on the Range. Entrance fee 50 cents.

## SHIPPING ITEMS.

The Ambatilos, a standard vessel, built at the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks, and sold to Greek owners, will leave to-day on her maiden trip for Java.

The Nicolis, a standard ship constructed at the Taikoo Docks, will leave in a few days on her maiden voyage.

This evening at 5 o'clock the standard ship War Sceptre, built at the Kowloon Docks, will be launched.

The Tangoville, a cargo boat that is being converted into an oil tanker for Filipino owners, is rapidly nearing completion at the Docks.

but beyond referring to her clever black and white portrait of Mr. E. Dewstoe of Canton (No. 118) the general statement that she considerably enhanced the value of the exhibition will have to suffice.

M. R. Reau had six very good oils, his depiction of fruits on trays being of good natural colour. Mrs. Shenton had hung three exhibits, all in oils, but No. 129 (Sunset over Hills) was the most striking.

There were also some pencil sketches by Colonel Loring, some charcoal studies by Mr. C. S. Gubbay and some extremely artistic photographs by Mr. B. W. Grey.

A special word is due to Mr. G. Hauchecorne's modelling, seven very clever works being shown. They were all of native heads and figures, and he has caught some extremely fine expressions. No. 133 (For Account Rendered) is a group of arresting merit. This modelling was the praise of all who saw it, and in itself was worth a visit.

## THE JUDGING.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, who was to have acted as Judge, was unfortunately indisposed, and the judging was therefore undertaken by Mr. W. Sinclair and Mr. H. W. Bird. They went round the exhibition very early in the morning and announced their awards as follows—  
Best Landscape in Oils.—No. 84, Lieut.-Colonel Loring.  
Best Oil portrait.—No. 119, Mrs. McPherson.  
Best Water-Colour landscape.—No. 112, Mrs. McPherson; and 27, Mrs. Britton. Two Prizes were given in this section because there was no portrait or figure in water colours for which a prize had been provided.  
Best Study in Black and White.—No. 118, Mrs. McPherson.  
Best Decorative Design.—No. 115, Mrs. McPherson.

The judges also decided to award a special prize to Mr. G. Hauchecorne for his splendid models.  
During both the morning and afternoon there was a good attendance of visitors.  
His Excellency the Governor will distribute the prizes this afternoon.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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## GAOL SENSATION.

## ENQUIRY HELD THIS AFTERNOON.

The enquiry into the circumstances relative to the murders of Warder J. L. Speed and the Indian assistant warder was conducted this afternoon before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistrate's court.

The following jury were called:—Messrs G. F. Starkey (foreman) J. C. dos Remedios and F. A. Wells.

Before the enquiry was gone into, the Jurymen were taken by the Magistrate to the branch gaol when they examined the scene of the murders.

The enquiry is proceeding as we go to press.

## AN ILFORD PRODIGY.

At the age of 7, Phyllis Sellick, whose parents live in Farnham-road, Seven Kings, has passed the lower Division pianoforte examination of the Royal Academy of Music, and is aiming at the Higher Division and the Bronze Medal. She is also studying the violin. Little Miss Sellick passed the R.A.M. Primary Examination in pianoforte-playing when she was 5, and the Elementary Examination a year later. She has a wonderful ear for transposition, and is able to identify readily the notes of any chords played upon the piano. Her execution is assisted by remarkably-developed hands, with long and flexible fingers, which enable her to surmount the technical difficulties, very considerable for one so young, of such works as Rachmaninoff's "Prelude."

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THE PRESIDENT'S ADVISOR. The Peking Leader announces that Mr. J. Simpson, advisor of the President's Office, has renewed his contract for a term of another three years. His salary which was £125 per month, is now changed into \$1,000.

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SADO MARU ... Friday, 26th Dec., at noon.

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TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Dec., at 11 a.m.

NIKKO MARU ... Middle of January.

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TONKISHIMA MARU ... Sunday, 4th January.

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WAKAMATSU MARU ... Sunday, 28th Dec.

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## FIRST VESSEL IN GERMANY.

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## DANGEROUS MINES.

An Admiralty Notice to Mariners again calls the attention of mariners to the fact that a small percentage of drifting mines are known to exist in a waterlogged condition, a fraction of which may be dangerous. This type of mine is hard to see, and special precautions are therefore necessary to ensure that a good look-out is kept. The striking of low floating floats should be avoided.

## MOTOR FOR LIGHTERS.

Trials have recently been carried out at Portsmouth with a British designed detachable motor, which it is claimed, can be employed with great advantage on lighters and barges. The motor with which the tests were made was of 16-20 h.p., and fitted on a sea-going lighter, and the tests were carried out under severe conditions. A series of runs were made, both in light and loaded condition, the object being to demonstrate the feasibility of equipping such craft with detachable motors and so obviating the necessity of employing tugs. The results attained were considered highly satisfactory. Detachable motors have been in use on inland waterways for some time past.

## SHIPS' OFFICERS' SOCIETIES

## AMALGAMATE.

Arrangements have been completed whereby the British Shipmasters' and Officers' Protection Society has been taken over by the Imperial Merchant Service Guild. The British Shipmasters' and Officers' Protection Society was established at Sunderland in the year 1873. It has been a very well-known institution on the East Coast, and one which did considerable work in interests of the captains and officers of the Mercantile Marine. The premises at Sunderland are under the new arrangement being used for the purposes of a guild agency there. The amalgamation which has been brought about is of considerable importance to the officers of the merchant service, no fewer than a thousand of whom have become members of the Guild during the present year alone.

## AUSTRIAN INTERNAL WATERS.

The negotiations resulting from the draft Peace Treaty with Austria has led to some alterations in the final terms governing the control of Austrian rivers and other internal waters. A new decision is that the inland craft are to be divided under the direction of arbitrators nominated by the U.S., who will also decide any cases of disputed ownership on the Danube. An Anglo-French, and American Commission will take provisional control of the vessels, and the profits accruing therefrom will be placed at the disposal of the Commission of Reparation. The arbitrators will decide as to the extent of the property rights of the Danube shipping companies and the amount of compensation due to them for the requisitioned boats. The decision that the amount of compensation must not exceed the original cost of acquisition has been cancelled and the articles referring to harbours, waterways and railways are slightly altered. The Rhine-Danube canals will be under the same regime.

## A DISABILITY REMOVED.

A serious disability under which officers and would-be officers of the Mercantile Marine resident in South Africa have suffered from will be removed if a resolution passed at a meeting held at Cape Town recently is acted upon by the Union Government. The meeting in question recommended that a Marine Board should be established, so that it will be possible for South African seafarers to obtain certificates without having to go overseas, as is the case at present. There are numbers of junior officers and engineers in locally-owned vessels to whom such a departure would be an immense boon. If the Union Government intend to follow Australia's example and build up a State Mercantile Marine arrangements would doubtless be made whereby certificates could be obtained within the Union; but the absence of such facilities at the present time is a source of dissatisfaction to many junior officers whose duties do not take them out of South African waters, besides being frequently a serious embarrassment to local ship-owners.

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SHANGHAI via Swatow	Choysang	Fri., 19th Dec. at d'light.
MANILA	Yuesang	Fri., 19th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hopsang	Sun., 21st Dec. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	Sun., 21st Dec. at 8 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Wed., 24th Dec. at noon.
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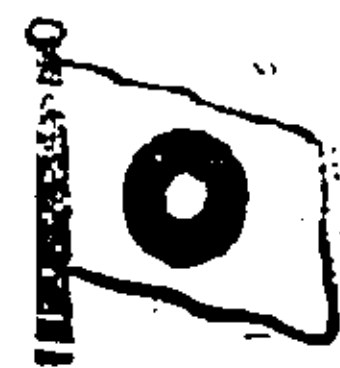
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The N. Y. K. s.s. TENSIN M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct, on the 6th Dec. and is expected here on the 29th Dec.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF ASIA arrived at Yokohama on 4th Dec. left there 6th Dec. noon, and is due at Vancouver on 15th Dec.

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The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports and Shanghai on the 24th Nov. and is due here on or about the 26th December.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HWAH-WU (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 11th Dec. and is expected here on the 16th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA MARU (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 8th Dec. and is expected here on the 17th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAIFUKU MARU (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 9th Dec. and is expected here on the 18th Dec.

The China Mail s.s. NANKING arrived at San Francisco on Sunday, November 30th.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA arrived at Nagasaki on Friday, 12th Dec. 3 p.m. left there 1 a.m. 13th Dec. and was due at Tsingtau on 14th Dec.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of cable advice from its Manila Office to the effect that the s.s. ECUADOR, Voyage 15-04, sailed from Yokohama for Kobe on the 12th inst.

The China Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of a telegram from its Shanghai Office advising that the s.s. NILE sailed from that port on Monday morning and she may be expected to arrive at this port on Wednesday afternoon.

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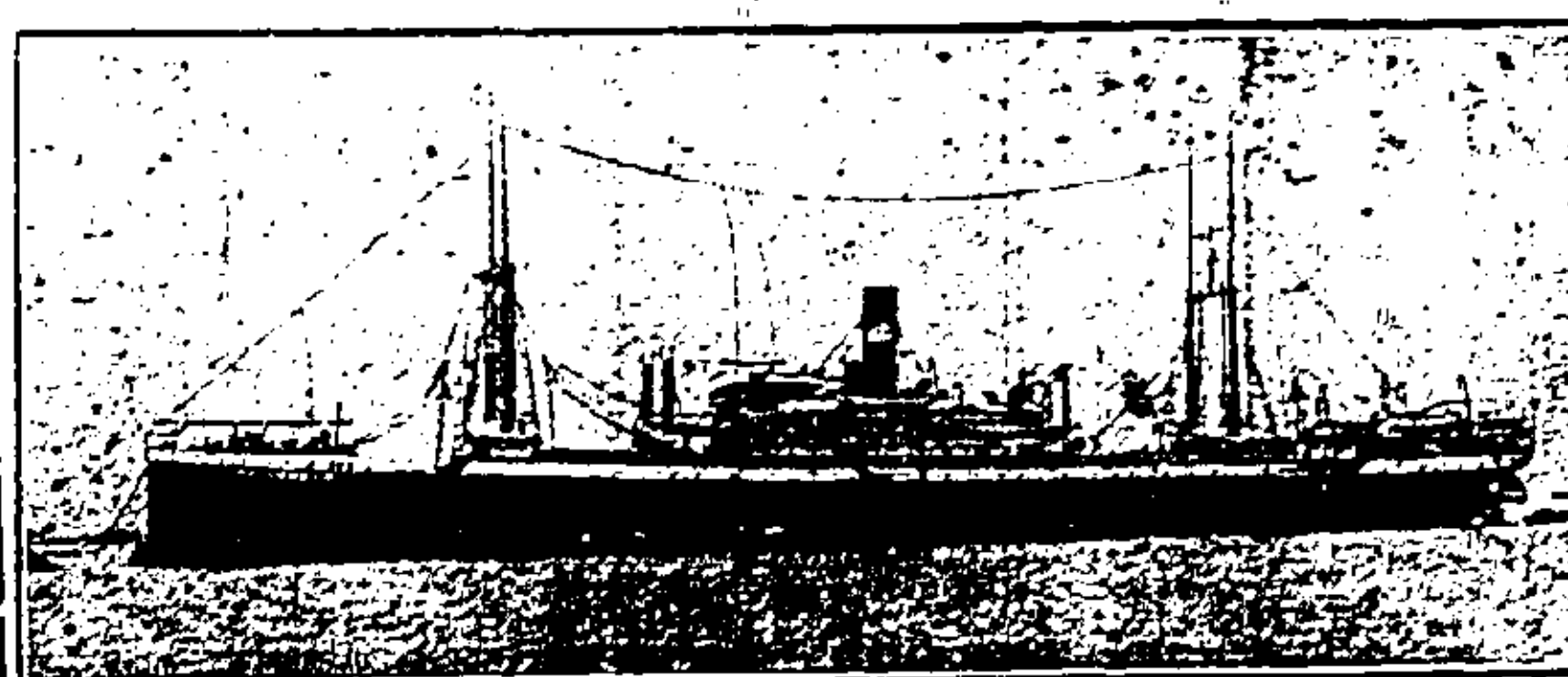
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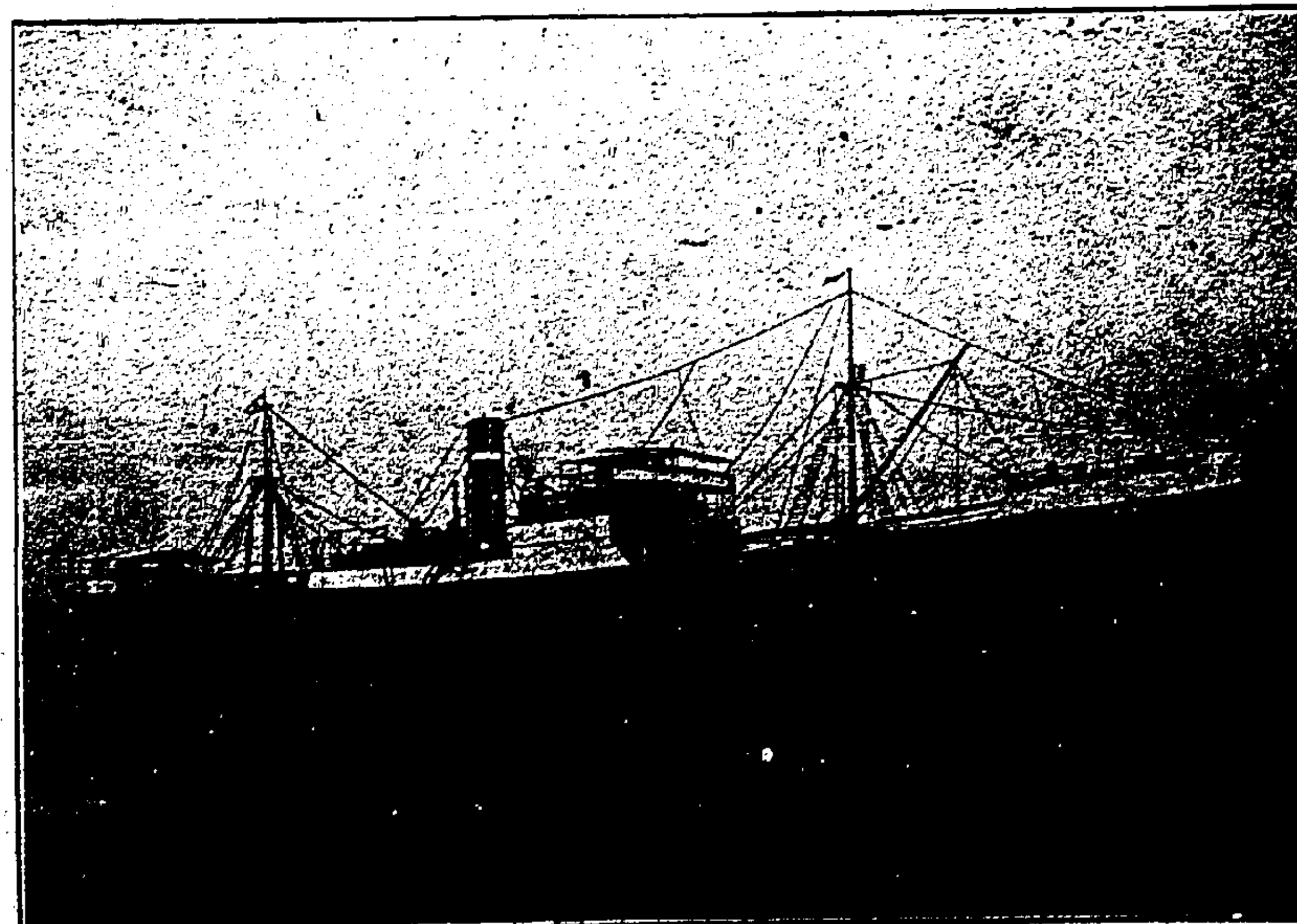
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## JAPANESE PEACE DELEGATE.

INTERVIEWED BY THE "TELEGRAPH."

One of the thorny questions which the Paris Peace Conference has found it hard to tackle is the final disposition of those Islands in the Marshall and Caroline Groups which were taken by the Japanese from the Germans in the early period of the war, and have since been in occupation by a Japanese naval force and under the administration of a Japanese Admiral. Chiefly through the opposition of the Australian Confederation, those Islands have so far not been formally ceded to Japan as the Island Empire would have liked, the reason being that she wants an outlet for her dense population. The League of Nations, on whose shoulders the solution of this problem has been shifted, will have a difficult task before it in making arrangements whereby both claimants may be satisfied.

Such is the view of Capt. Yamamoto, who has been in the Colony on his way to Japan from Europe, where as one of Japan's Peace Delegates he took a prominent part in the deliberations on the fate of the Islands.

A representative of the "Telegraph" interviewed him prior to his departure for the North. From him, we have elicited the information that the progress in connection with the settlement of the South Seas Islands question is far from satisfactory, but that these Islands will continue to be administered by the Japanese pending the decision of the League of Nations. Captain Yamamoto's special mission in connection with the Peace Conference was to Rome where he conferred with the Pope in regard to the German Catholic Missionary stations on the Marshall and Caroline Islands, which, with change in regime, could not be allowed to continue, an objection being raised to its personnel. His mission therefore was to apply for a change of the missionary staffs, and he was successful in having secured a promise from the Holy See to replace the deported Germans by French, Italian, and Belgian substitutes.

Captain Yamamoto has had an interesting career. Soon after the fall of Tsingtau, he was appointed to the Japanese Embassy at Rome as Naval Attaché, and he remained at his post until February last when he was recalled by his Government. Six months later, he was appointed to the Peace Delegation and with Baron Makino, proceeded to Paris, where he took part in the conferences in connection with the Peace Treaty. The urgent necessity of settling the missionary question in regard to the Marshall and Caroline Groups, led the Japanese Government to send orders to Captain Yamamoto to proceed to Rome as the Admiral-Governor's representative to confer with the Holy See. How far he succeeded in his mission has been stated. He is now on his way back to Japan. As to the Shanghai question, Captain Yamamoto depreciated the troubles that have been raised on this question. He was of opinion that the best method of arriving at a successful solution, was an amicable conference by both nations, without interference from other Powers, at which mutual understandings could be come to.

## PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. TEAN, for Shanghai 14th Dec., 1919.

Arthur W. McGuire A L  
Ayling H A Price A C  
Buyers G A Pratt F G  
Benson E Reed H G  
Catherall C H Sorensen Mr &  
Harvey W Mrs A S  
Hunter D L Sadler H G  
Macfie D Traynor E J  
McMonies J F Tomlinz Miss M  
McIntyre T K Wood G

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## NOTICE

Attention is drawn to the fact that, under the Army Act, a soldier cannot be placed under stoppages of pay for a private debt. Traders and others, who suffer soldiers to contract debts, do so at their own risk.

C. LESLIE-SMITH,

Major,

D.A.A. &amp; Q.M.G.

CHINA COMMAND.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1919.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

## ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday the 23rd December 1919 at 5.15 p.m.

- To receive from the Committee a report Balance Sheet and Statement of accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1919.
- To elect Officers and other members of the Committee in the place of the retiring members thereof.
- To decide on any resolution which may have been submitted to the meeting.

By order,

J. W. FRANKS,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1919.

## NOTICE.

For the benefit of guests from Kowloon attending Commodore and Mrs. Gurner's "At Home" at 9.15 p.m. on Tuesday 16th December, steamboats from "Tamar" will leave Police Pier at Kowloon at 8.45 and 9 p.m. Arrangements will be made in a similar manner for the return of guests to Kowloon.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday 18th Dec., 1919,

commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A collection of Fine Mechanical Toys.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

Geo. P. LAMMERT

Auctioneer

## CONSIGNEES

## PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

## S. S. "VENEZUELA"

From SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on December 22nd at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after December 23rd, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

## PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1919.

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TO LET.—Top floor No. 2 Queen's Road Central One to five large light rooms verandah and bath. Suitable for Offices. Apply Office Carlton Hotel.

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## NOTICE.

## LADIES RECREATION CLUB.

Annual Tennis Tournament, commencing on 1st January 1920.

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Ladies Singles—Open to Members of any Local Tennis Club.

Entrance Fee \$1.

Entries must be made on or before 27th December, 1919 to

MISS MOXON,

Hon. Secretary.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1919.

## NOTICE.

## CHINA BORNEO COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Gibb Livingston & Co., St. George's Buildings Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on Monday the 29th day of December 1919 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:—

- "That the conditional agreement entered into by the Directors of the Company in the name and on behalf of the Company with Harrison and Crofield Limited dated the 10th day of December 1919 for the sale of the undertaking property and assets of the Company as existing on the 31st day of December 1918 subject to its liabilities, for the sum of \$833,000 (Eight hundred and twenty eight thousand dollars) cash which has been submitted to this meeting be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorised and directed to carry the same into effect with full power to assent to any modifications in the Agreement which they may think expedient and in the interest of the Company"

Copies of the above mentioned Agreement can be seen at the Registered Office of the Company St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria, aforesaid or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson Stokes & Master, the Solicitors to the Company, at Prince's Building, Ice House Street, Victoria aforesaid, at any time before the said meeting (except Saturdays and Sundays) between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. And subject to the passing of the above Resolution to consider and if thought fit, to pass as an Extraordinary Resolution the following:

- "That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Ernest Alfred Mountford Williams of the Firm of Lowe Bingham and Matthews of Chartered Bank Building Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid be appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up, at such remuneration as may be arranged between the said Harrison and Crofield Limited and the Liquidator.

Should the Second Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting to be held at the above address at twelve o'clock noon on Tuesday the 13th day of January 1920.

By Order of the Board

(64) GIBB LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1919.

## THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK, LIMITED.

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FOR THE YEAR TO COME

Caution is important in all things This applies to your own finances. The best way of providing for the future, freely, is by

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SYSTEMATICALLY it will grow to THOUSANDS.

## HONGKONG FUND FOR DEVASTATED FRANCE

## PANSY DAY FRIDAY, 19th DECEMBER,

Street Sale of Pansies in the Morning.

## GRAND MASKED BALL

at Volunteer Headquarters, Garden Road,

at 9.30 p.m.

Admission \$5.00 including

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.

Prizes will be given for the most original dominoes.

## CABARET

SATURDAY, 20th DECEMBER,

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TEA, TOMBOLA, THE "EVERYTHING" STALL

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VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

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DANCING: 3 p.m. to midnight.

## CABARET

"DANCE FOR FRANCE."

## NOTICE.

## NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The Office of the above Company have this day been removed to No. 3 Queen's Buildings, (Chater Road).

Hongkong, 8th December, 1919

## NOTICE.

## New Flotation known as THE MENTAKAB RUBBER CO., LTD.

Managing Agents—Messrs. Harri-sons &amp; Crofield.

Estate situated in Pahang.

Nominal Capital ... Str. \$1,000,000

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Divided into 1,000,000 shares of \$1.00 each.

Fifty Cents on Application, and Fifty Cents on Allotment.

Total area ... 1,575 Acres.

Planted Area ... 1,345 Acres.

In bearing ... 480 Acres.

(\$25 additional Acres coming into bearing next April).

Purchase price of Estate ... \$805,000 Cash.

Application closes at Singapore on the 22nd of December, 1919.

BENJAMIN &amp; POTTS,

Share &amp; General Brokers.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1919

## NOTICE.

## THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 20th December, 1919 until Monday the 29th December, 1919, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1919.

## NOTICE.

## HONGKONG POLICE

The Hongkong Police City Ball will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday the 17th December 1919. Dancing to commence at 9 p.m.

W. HENDERSON,

Hon. Secretary

Central Police Station

## NOTICE.

## THE CHINA LIGHT &amp; POWER CO., (1918) LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Saturday the 20th December, 1919, at 11.30 a.m. in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the 14 months ending 30th September, 1919, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday the 15th December 1919 until Saturday the 20th December 1919, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES &amp; CO.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1919

## G. 1111 R.

## NOTICE.

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries" will be received at this Office until Noon on Monday the 22nd day of December, 1919, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong, Kowloon, and the New Territories, for one year from the 1st January, 1920.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

## PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Area in Acres	Upst. Crown Rent	Downst. Crown Rent
Tauk Tai No. 2	12.02	1,700.00	280.00
Sau Tau No. 3 & 4	78.15	5,200.00	850.00
(1) Hot No. 6	8.44	4,300.00	700.00
Ma Tau Kok No. 7	6.70	1,600.00	260.00
(2) Ma Tau Kok No. 8	4.12	1,200.00	200.00
Jordan Road No. 10	4.55	1,300.00	220.00
Ngau Tai Kok No. 6	2.22	800.00	130.00
Ngau Tai Kok No. 1	10.80	2,100.00	350.00
5, 7, 8, 10, 19, 20 & 25			
Ngau Tai Kok No. 9	3.90	200.00	35.00
11, 14, 21 & 22			
Chai Kwo Liang No. 1	24.56	2,500.00	410.00
Sai Tin No. 2	16.53	500.00	80.00
1 & 12			
Lymann Nos. 1 & 25	2.10	2,800.00	460.00
Lymann No. 26	2.10	400.00	65.00
For Tau Kok No. 12	4.58	1,400.00	220.00

(1) The tenderer for Hok Un Quarry Lot No. 6 will also have to include in his tender the sum of \$100.00 towards the cost of constructing a wall to prevent damage to K.L.L.'s 1292 & 1223.

(2) The tenderer for Ma Tau Kok Quarry Lot No. 8 will also have to include the sum of \$100.00 towards the cost of constructing a channel to prevent damage to the Government Slaughter House at Ma Tau Kok.

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

GREAT SUCCESS OF THE CLEVER ENTERTAINERS AILEEN AND DORIS WOODS WHO WILL APPEAR AGAIN

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Manager.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagees Mr. Geo. P. Lammert has received instructions to sell by

Public Auction

on

WEDNESDAY

the 24th day of December, 1919 at 3 p.m., at his Sales Rooms Duddell Street, Victoria,

Hongkong.

The following Leasehold properties situate at Victoria and Kowloon, Hongkong in two Lots

Lot 1 All that piece of ground situate at Victoria registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 346 together with the messuage thereon No. 15 Mosque Street. Term 999 years from 27th November 1849. Area 1440 square feet. Annual Crown rent \$1.24.

Lot 2 All that piece of ground situate at Kowloon Point registered in the Land Office as Section N. of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 410 together with the messuage thereon No. 22 Ashley Road, Kowloon Term 75 years from 24th June 1882. Area 1892 1/2 square feet. Proportion of Annual Crown rent \$10.50.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs Johnson Stokes & Master, Prince's Building, Ice House St. Hongkong.

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Auctioneer.



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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## BOLSHEVIK DISCLOSURES.

London, Dec. 12.  
The "Times" makes authoritative disclosures which foreshadow the possibility of the Bolsheviks ultimately abandoning European Russia and establishing themselves in the heart of Middle Asia. They point out that the Bolsheviks hold a large part of Transcaspiia and Central Asia and are about to attack Krasnovodsk on the eastern Caspian shores. Furthermore they are establishing intimate relations with Afghanistan and their emissaries at Kabul are advocating an attack on Britain through India. It is reported that hundreds of Hindus have been trained in Bolshevik propaganda at Moscow and some are already journeying to India supplied with considerable Bolshevik gold. The "Times" in a leader points out that Denikin and Koltchak are fighting the Empire's battle because in the event of defeat the Soviet armies could be diverted to Afghanistan with a view to attacking India. It opines that the consequences of defeat would soon be felt on the Indian frontier. Meanwhile the Bolsheviks are closely negotiating with the Turkish rebel General Mustapha Kemal in Asia Minor. They are supplying funds to the Young Turks and inciting Georgia and the mushroom Mahomedan republic of Azerbaijan to ally themselves with the Turkish revolutionaries.

## THE WORLD'S WHEAT SUPPLY.

London, Dec. 11.  
An Imperial Institute bulletin dealing with the world's wheat position points out that of the pre-war production of 110,000,000 tons, the largest contributor was Russia, with 22,000,000 tons. During the war the acreage outside Europe increased by twenty-five per cent. The opinion is expressed that at present there is a sufficiency of wheat, even without the help of Russia, to meet the requirements of the world. The article takes an optimistic view of the future. Vast areas are awaiting development in Canada, Australia and elsewhere, while the average field is susceptible of great improvement.

## RUSSIA'S DESIRE FOR PEACE.

Copenhagen, Dec. 11.  
Litvinoff, interviewed by Reuter, declared that the only condition the Soviet Government would put forward as the basis of peace was non-interference by any foreign Power in the country's internal administration. He added that if response was made to the offer the present negotiations would be greatly facilitated.

Copenhagen, Dec. 11.  
An agreement has been reached at the conference between O'Grady and Litvinoff under which the Soviet Government permits the despatch of warm clothing, drugs, food and money to British prisoners in return for permission to load a ship with drugs for its own use. Arrangements have also been made to exchange letters at the frontier at stated intervals, enabling British and Russian prisoners to communicate with their homes. Meanwhile the prospect of an agreement on a whole exchange under the repatriation question is most unpromising.

Copenhagen, Dec. 12.  
It is reliably learned that the British French, Italian and American Ministers here have returned the Soviet peace offer mentioned last night in consequence of Litvinoff's action infringing the prearranged terms of the O'Grady Conference.

## BOLSHEVIK OFFENSIVE RE-OPENED.

Copenhagen, Dec. 11.  
A message from Riga states that the Bolsheviks on Dec. 8 re-opened their offensive against the Letts, supported by armoured trains. All attacks hitherto have been repulsed. Fighting continues.

## RUMANIA SIGNS PROTOCOL.

Paris, Dec. 11.  
The Rumanian Plenipotentiary has signed the protocol accepting the Austrian and Bulgarian Treaties and the treaty for the protection of minorities.

## THE GERMAN REPLY.

London, Dec. 11.  
The German reply, it is reported, has arrived. It is substantially a capitulation of the Serpa Flow question and proposed discussion of other points.

## BELGIUM'S PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER.

Brussels, Dec. 11.  
M. Brunet (Socialist) has been elected President of the Chamber by 51-72 votes, against M. de Wiart (Catholic).

## LOADING OF VESSELS SUSPENDED.

Melbourne, Dec. 12.  
The loading of the overseas vessels which was disorganised owing to the Lumpers Goslow Policy is now entirely suspended.

## CARPENTIER CHALLENGES DEMPSEY.

Paris, Dec. 12.  
Carpentier has officially challenged Dempsey for the world's championship.

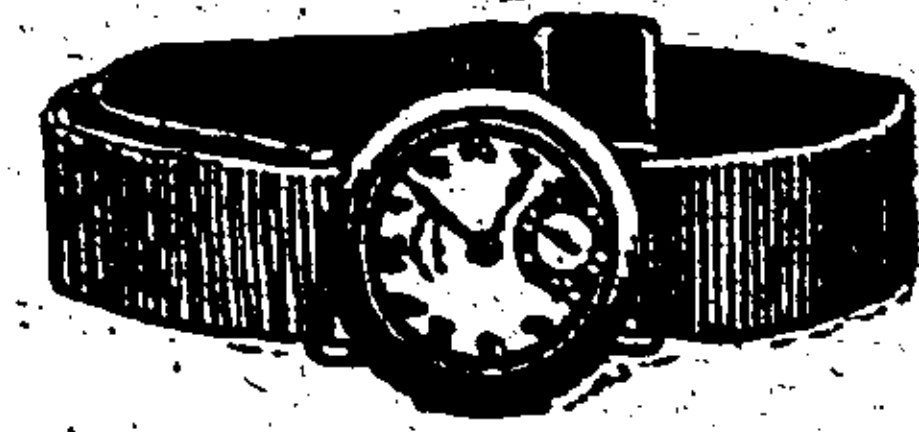


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Having arrived from Seattle via ports, on Dec. 16th, 1919 consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

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All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Dec. 23rd, 1919 will be subject to rent. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

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T/T Japan	280
T/T India	221
Demand, India	221
T/T San Francisco & New York	96 1/2
T/T Java	250
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T France	11 66
Demand, Paris	—

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30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	98 1/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	12 06
6 m/s. France	12 18
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	96 1/4
T/T Bombay	221
Demand, Bombay	—
T/T Calcutta	221
Demand, Calcutta	—
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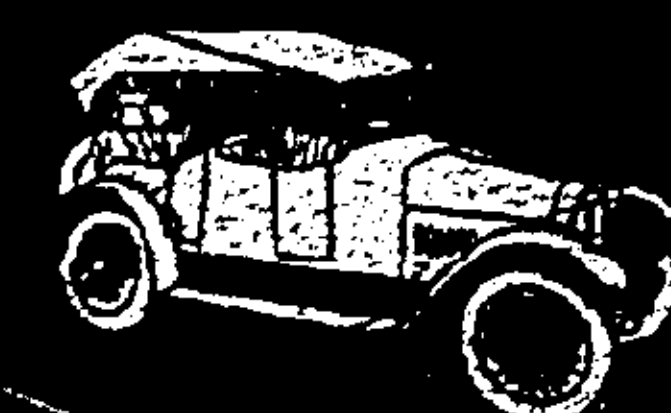
## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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Gabrielle d'Annunzio, the master of Fiume, giving orders to two young officers.



This houseboat, anchored in front of the British Parliament buildings, is occupied by Mr. George Terrell, M.P.



Field Marshal Lord Allenby and his aged mother.



Miss Julia Marlowe, who is now appearing in Shakespearean plays in New York.



The Prince of Wales photographed with a Canadian baseball team.



Rafell College, Boston, has adopted the above Chinese baby and presented him with a silver spoon. His mother, Mrs. Yang-Mo-Kuo, of Cambridge, graduated six months ahead of her classmates. Next year, his father will finish his studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and take his little family back to the Orient.

#### BUSINESS MANNERS.

##### ARE OURS THE WORST IN THE WORLD?

Mr. H. T. Kemball Cook writes to a Home paper:—

The British business man is the worst mannered in the world that is the verdict of the director of the Manufacturers' Agency, who has just returned from a tour of the world.

Is there anything to be said on the other side? I think there is, for very much depends on the point of view.

I remember, for instance, being told by a London commercial traveller that, when he first visited certain busy towns in the great industrial area of the north-west he was repelled by the rudeness of business men, and almost in despair at his own failures. Eventually he discovered that it was because he went his rounds in a top hat and the rest of his London kit, and the bluff manufacturers of the district resented this "swank." He did excellent business when he exchanged morning coat for tweeds.

The point is worth making, because it explains a good deal—among other things, that half the accusations of rudeness against the business man result from misunderstanding. The proper study of man and is still—man.

Let it be remembered that superficial politeness is not one of our national characteristics, it which must be added that superficial politeness in business often means waste of time. Browning

"But, my dear fellow, I am monopolising you!" Excellent. But Browning would have looked very silly had the bore replied, "Not at all—as I was saying—"

The British business man may be excused if he declines to take the risk. Business, like everything else, is a contest, and every business man knows the type of caller who hopes that his victim will give him an order or promise to try his scheme as a last resource in order to get rid of him.

There are people who understand nothing but downright rudeness. The British business man meets a good many of them.

I remember one who used to visit a country client at perhaps three in the afternoon. He would sit down, take out his watch, re-

mark airily, "My train does not leave till six," and begin to talk of the weather. Was the business man ill-mannered or selfish if he had recourse to the only weapon likely to be effective?

Civil servants may be denied the title of business men, but their manners are generally excellent. Yet the war was not many weeks old before they found it necessary to borrow from the City even to the decoration of office walls with certain pungent mottoes of the "Our Time is valuable if yours is not" type, in mere self protection.

I do not think that the British business man is ill-mannered, provided always that it be accepted that the standard of politeness of the drawing-room and the

office are not the same. In the drawing-room time is of no value; in the office it is everything.

If the Englishman's word is his bond it is not surprising that he should put his word 'bleakly and nakedly in its place without any adornments, without flowery phrases which might be turned against him by the unscrupulous.

"My goods" speak for themselves," said an old City merchant. "I don't need to wrap them up in pretty parcels."

I do not claim that he is unassailable, but there is a politeness of word and a politeness of deed, and the English merchant has been able to boast these many years that his customers all over the world prefer the latter. And while the

British merchant maintains the quality of his goods I do not think that his customers will complain very bitterly if he persists in "cutting the cackle and comin' to the 'osses'!"

#### AN OLD ENGINE.

It is reported that No. 1 engine now employed on the Shimabara Railway is the oldest locomotive in Japan. It was used in the first railway built in that country between Tokio and Yokohama 47 years ago. The engine has now been acquired by the Railway Board to be preserved as a souvenir.

#### BREVITIES.

When a woman in the Philippines becomes a widow, she re-assumes her maiden name.

Stuffing the ears with light gauze is a new cure for seasickness.

A privilege jealously guarded for the Shah of Persia and his son only is that of dyeing crimson the tips of their horses' tails.

The northern hemisphere has more than 200 public astronomical observatories to less than twenty in the southern.

In the interior of China natives hatch both hen and duck eggs by burying them in lukewarm rice, which they reheat daily.

A factory has been installed in Holland for the manufacture of sacking carpet.

Electric fog sirens have been invented that can be heard for fourteen miles.

The sugar production of the province of Matanzas, Cuba, this year was the greatest on record, amounting to 4,831,400 bags of 325 pounds each.

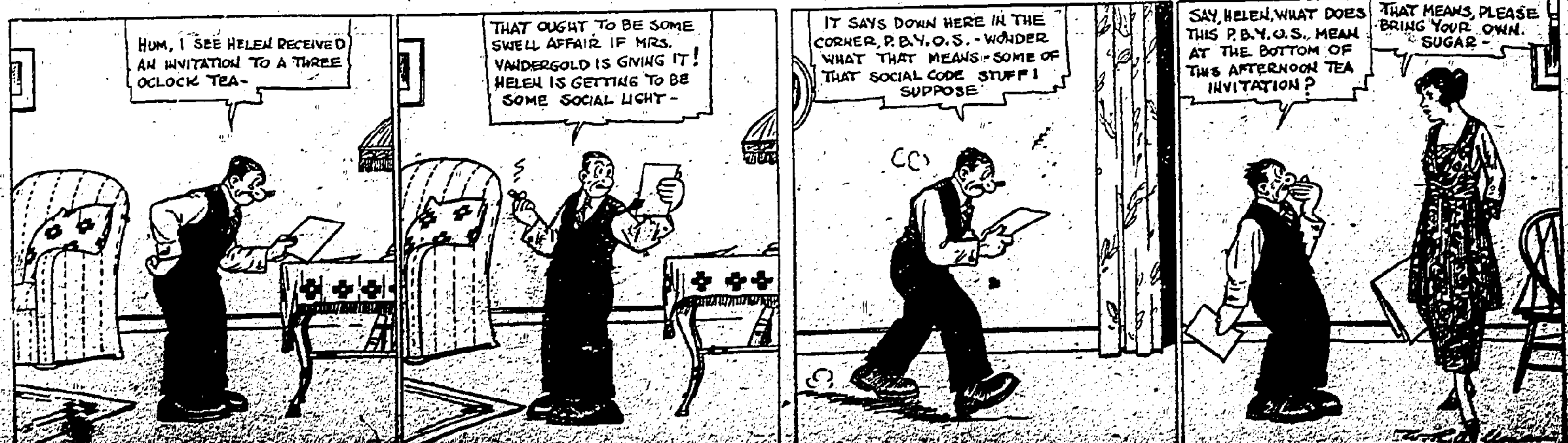
An oil obtained from stumps of red pine trees has been found to be valuable for recovering silver from pulverized ore by the flotation process.

To prevent unnecessary movements a French gymnastic school has instantaneous photographs of pupils made to study their action.

#### DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

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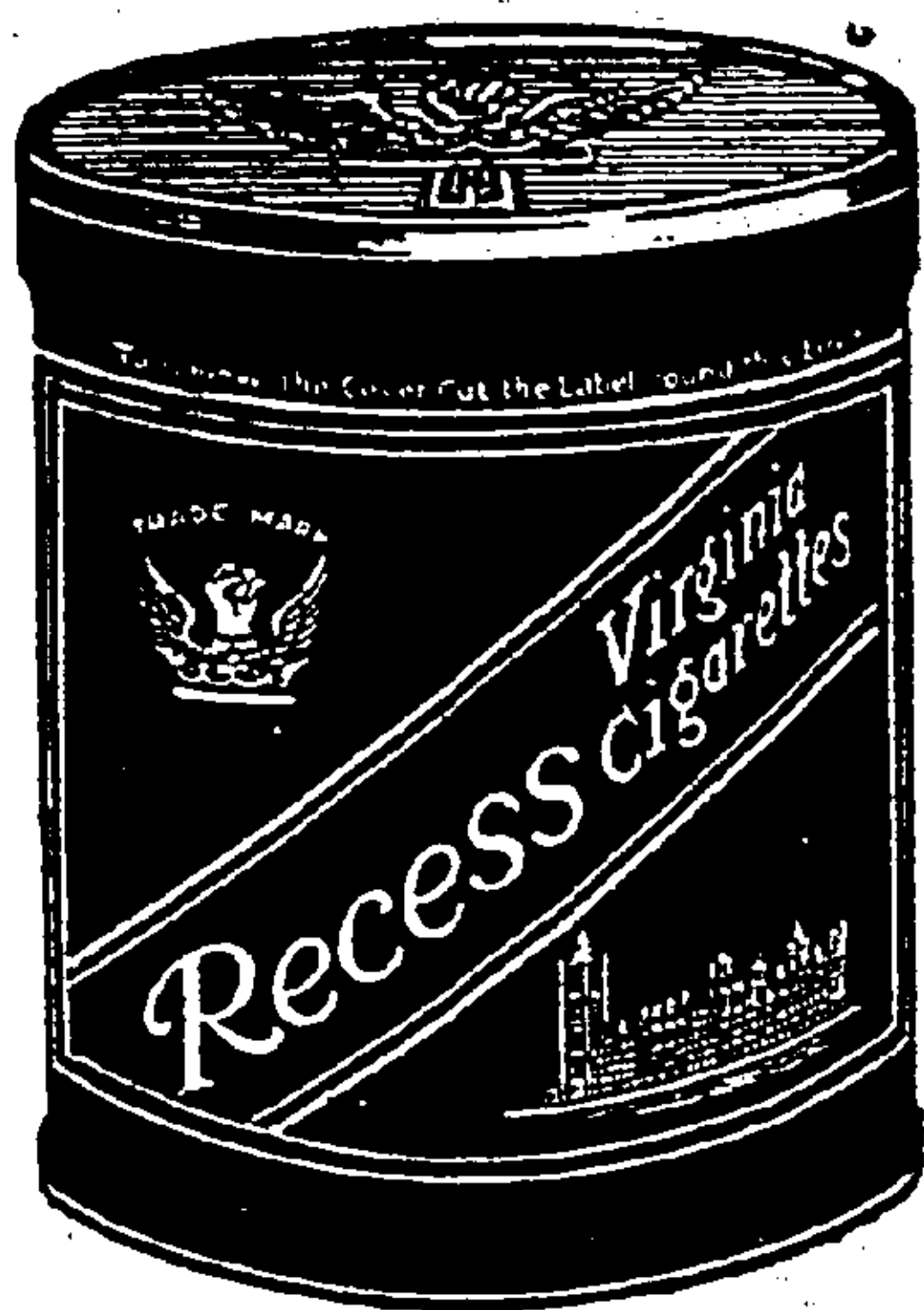




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## SHIPPING.

## VESSELS ARRIVED.

The Blue Funnel boat TEUCER, brought this morning 3,500 tons of cargo from Yokohama and Shanghai.—Mooring, A 3.

From Calcutta the Indo-China vessel YATSHING, consigned 1,483 tons for Hongkong and 500 tons through cargo.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

The YUENSANG, from Manila brought 1,300 tons of general cargo for Hongkong yesterday. She experienced very rough weather.—Mooring, C 35.

The U.S.A. Shipping Board vessel CADDOPEAK, consigned to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, brought only 50 tons of merchandise from Manila. Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

From Shanghai the Chinese Merchants' vessel KWANG FU, brought 919 tons of through and 337 tons of direct cargo.—Mooring, C.M.S. Wharf at West Point.

## CLEARANCES.

The TEUCER, departed to-day for Liverpool via Singapore with 1,400 tons of general cargo.

The HSIN TAI, took 2,300 tons of through cargo to Shanghai to-day.

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## TOO MUCH STEAM.

## STEAM LAUNCH OFFICERS CHARGED.

This morning in the Marine Court, before Captain Basil Tylour, R.N., Marine Magistrate, the master and engineer of the steam launch Hing Fat were prosecuted for placing on the safety valve of their launch a greater pressure than was allowed by his licence, to wit 134 lbs.

The master of the launch pleaded not guilty, while the engineer admitted the guilt.

Police Constable A. Brown said that on the 9th instant he went alongside defendant's launch off a wharf. He asked where he had been and he replied he had been to Hunghom to get a doctor. Witness saw the starboard safety valve untouched and loose. He looked at the steam gauge glass in the engine room. It was showing 134 lbs. The licence limited the pressure to be 125 lbs. Witness asked the engineer why he had such a great pressure and he replied he was a substitute.

The engineer said the padlock was stolen at Yau-mat two days before and he had no time to replace it.

The master of the launch was discharged while the engineer was fined \$50 or given the option of serving two months' in gaol.

## EXAMINATIONS.

## OXFORD PRELIMINARY RESULTS.

The Oxford Preliminary Examination results are as follows:—

Diocesan Boys' School.—H. Landolt (Honours, 1st. class), A. Perry (Honours, 2nd. class), A. Zimmern, (Honours, 2nd. class), D. F. Lopes (Honours, 3rd. class), H. Kew (Honours, 3rd. class), W. Hung, G. Zimmern, H. Clayton, G. R. Razavet, M. P. Au, F. W. Lee, P. N. Ho, F. N. Doodha, H. Hung, A. Gourdin, J. Macdonald, H. T. Chan, P. W. Ho, C. Y. Wong, W. P. Tai, C. F. Kam, C. Mackenzie, J. Thomson, G. Mooney, T. E. Anderson, and K. Y. Chung.

St. Joseph's College.—C. Silva, C. E. Roza-Pereira, J. M. Alves Machado, J. Tam Wing On, C. P. Lam, K. W. Siu, C. P. Cooper, F. P. Hachuma, J. R. Gomes, J. M. Neves, H. A. Barros, J. M. N. da Silva, E. A. G. Jordan, V. A. da Cruz, H. Braga, A. Silva, and N. Shalabanoff.

Beilios Public School.—M. Rosario, J. D. Chenalloy, E. dos Santos, G. Mooney, L. C. Tung, C. Xavier, C. de Figueiredo, J. Gutierrez, E. Osmund, P. C. Lai, Y. C. Li, S. Y. Lau, K. L. Wei, and K. F. Wong.

Macao English College.—C. W. Cheng and T. K. Lee.

## WEATHER REPORT.

December 16d. 11h. 13m.—No returns from Vladivostok, Weihaiwei or Japanese stations. Pressure has increased slightly from Shanghai to the Philippines and over the Marianas. It is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

A moderate anticyclone is central over China.

Fresh westerly wind continues along the south-east coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 78.14 inches against an average of 82.54 inches.

FOURPART FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock,	N.E. winds, fresh; 15-20.
2 Formosa Channel,	N.E. winds, strong.
3 South coast of China to the same between H.K. and Lamooki as No. 1.	The same.
4 South coast of China to the same between H.K. and Hainan as No. 1.	The same.

T. F. CLAXTON.—Director, Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 16, 1919.

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